## 2004 ELECTION

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 36



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Roy was born and raised in Hawaii. His father worked for the sewer department. His mother worked as a school custodian. A product of the public schools, Roy worked since was 15 starting off bagging groceries at \$1.25 an hour.

After graduating from McKinley High School, he joined the Hawaii Air National Guard and finished technical training at the top of his class. He went to Leeward Community College while working full-time at Pearl Harbor as a laborer. A life-long learner, he eventually received his master's degree when he was 40.

For the past twelve years, Roy has served our community as a state Representative. He has fought to open the legislative process and to make it more accountable to the people. He has gained a reputation as an independent thinker who is not afraid to challenge the "old boy" network. He has been in the forefront on a range of issues such as stopping an anti-consumer auto insurance bill, limiting the compensation for trustees of charitable trusts, promoting workers compensation reform, and advocating for campaign spending reform.

Roy was a leader in the effort to lower the cost of prescription drugs and his bill is the basis for the recently implemented Hawaii Rx Plus program. Roy also played a key role this past session in developing the Reinventing Education Act of 2004 that will change the way our schools operate and improve student achievement.

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